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"Islands, Castles & Portable Operations"
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22/10/2010: Club members of the Russian Community of Azerbaijan will activate their callsign, 4J6RO, on 22-25 October 2010 from Russkie Borisi village, Nagorno-Karabakh Autonomous Oblast, in the Geranboy district (AzeDA index - GR, QRA Locator - LN30FL). QRV on 40 and 20 metres, as well as 30/17/12 metres, using CW and SSB. Operators mentioned are: Boris 4K4K (Team/Club Leader), Alex 4J7WMF, Serge 4J5A and Igor 4K6OF. QSL via 4K4K. PLEASE NOTE: This is the only legal callsign permitted by the Ministry of Communications of Azerbaijan for this territory. Any other prefixes, besides 4J and 4K, issued by other countries for Karabakh have to be strictly considered illegal. [OPDX Bulletin]

22/10/2010: Dale, N3BNA, will be active again as CX/N3BNA between 22nd October and 13th November 2010. He plans to be QRV on 60 metres this trip using a sloping dipole off a tall tower. He may also try a half-square wave antenna for more gain. QSL via KA2AEV. [OPDX Bulletin]

22/10/2010: Jim, KB3QLK (W/VE Island QSO party Island Rover) will be active 22 October (NON CONTEST) from St. Pierre Island (USi MD034, Somerset County), Maryland. On 23 October, starting 1600z, he will once again activate St. Pierre Island (USi MD034), followed by Little Deal Island (USi MD034, Washington County) and possibly Deal Island (USi MD014S, Somerset County), Maryland. Jim is not sure on any 24 October operations. QRV on SSB, PSK-31 and perhaps another mode, near the usual IOTA and island frequencies. Different QSL cards will be made for each island. [USi]

23/10/2010: Ho-jong, DS5ACV and members of the Busan DX Club will activate Suu Do (IOTA AS-081) as 6M0V/5 between 23rd and 24th October 2010. Expect activity on all HF bands, propagation permitting. QSL goes to 6M0V, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

23/10/2010: Les, AD5WB plans on operating the W/VE Islands Contest from his home on Galveston Island (IOTA NA-143, USi TX001S, Galveston County), Texas, as a fixed island station. He will be operating on phone; 40 through 10 metres. Should be on most of Saturday and most of Sunday. QSL via QRZ.com. [USi]

23/10/2010: Members of Azores DX Group (CU3DX) will be active on 23 October 2010 from Imperio da Terra Cha (WCA CT-00426, DMHP AZ-078, IDES 033, DMP 4301, DDFP AGH-18, IOTA EU-175), as CU3DX/p. QSL via CU3EJ, bureau or direct. [World Castle Announcements]

23/10/2010: Dell, K3AXR and Jerry, KB3TXP will be attempting to activate Fenwick Island (USi MD035, Worcester County), Maryland, for the US Islands Awards Program (www.usislands.org/) on Saturday, 23 October from 1200 UTC until 1600 UTC). They will be operating SSB at or near 7.250 and 14.250-14.260 MHz. Look for them if you'd like to help activate this island and add it to your collection. [USi]

23/10/2010: Look for Mark, KO1U/m to be QRV in the W/VE Islands Contest on 23-24 October 2010. He plans to activate the following islands: Plum island (USi MA002S, WLOTA 1546) and Deer island (MA027R), Essex County, MA, and Conanicut island (IOTA NA-031, USi RI007S, WLOTA 1422, Newport County), RI. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [USi]

23/10/2010: Henry, N8XX will use the special callsign N8M during the W/VE Islands Contest (23-24 October) from Murray Lake Island (USi MI089, Kent County), Michigan. He will be running 3 watts with a AT Sprint to a 88' center fed antenna, about 40 or 50' up between two trees. QRV on 40 and 20 metres. QSL via his home callsign. [USi]

23/10/2010: Vlad, UA1CIO will be active on 23 October 2010 from Kronshtadt Fortress (WCA UA-00020, COTA-RU C-120) located on Kotlin Island (IOTA EU-133, RRA RR-01-06, RDA SP-09, WLOTA 0403). He plans to work as UA1CIO/1 on the HF bands, CW only. QSL via RN1CW, bureau or direct. [RN1CW]

23/10/2010: Rob, VE7RSV will be homecall/p from Broughton Island (IOTA NA-091, CIsA BC026) during the W/VE Islands Contest (23-24 October). QRV all bands, SSB only. QSL direct to VE7RSV (QRZ.com). [USi]

24/10/2010: Jim, G3VDB will be active as 8Q7EJ from Bandos Island resort, North Male Atoll (IOTA AS-013, WLOTA 3911), Maldives, from 24 October for two weeks. "Subject to hotel permission", he says, "I hope to be active for intermittent holiday operation during that period mostly on 20m CW". QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [425 DX News]

24/10/2010: John, KL7JR and Claire, WL7MY will be active on 24-31 October 2010 as N7I from the island of Maui (USi HI018S, WLOTA 0636, Maui County, Hawaii (IOTA OC-019) to celebrate the 16th anniversary of the US Islands Award Program. QRV on 20-10m SSB, using vertical dipoles and V beams using MFJ mobile antennas. QSL direct to KL7JR (QRZ.com) [USi]

24/10/2010: Tom, DL2OBO (www.dl2obo.com/) will be active holiday style as T88DL from Koror (IOTA OC-009), Palau from 24 October to 1 November 2010. He will operate CW and SSB (including activity during the CQ WW DX Contest) during his evening/night hours using the equipment at the Palau Pacific Resort complemented with new verticals he will uild, "since the hotel only has low dipoles for 80m and 160m". QSL via DL2OBO. [425 DX News]

25/10/2010: Luc, F5RAV will be active from the 6W7RV radio shack in Le Calao, La Somone, Senegal, from 25th October to 1st November 2010. QRV 160-10m using SSB and PSK31, including 17m and 12m. He will also participate in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (30-31 October) as a Single-Op entry. QSL direct only to F5RAV. [NG3K]

25/10/2010: Gerard, F5NVF, will be active as F5NVF/6W between 25 October and 1 November 2010. QRV on the HF bands using CW. No other details were provided. QSL via his home callsign. [OPDX Bulletin]

25/10/2010: Eric, KV1J will be active as FP/KV1J from Miquelon Island (NA-032, DIFO FP-002, WLOTA 1417, Grid GN17TC) between 25 October and 2 November 2010. QRV 160-6 metres using SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31. No permission for 60M. Also AO-51 Satellite weather permitting and if 2M/70cm mode. He will use Icom IC-7000, Yaesu FT-817 (for AO-51), Heathkit SB-200 Amplifier (modified) (80-10m); Off-Centered Fed Dipole 80-10m; SteppIR Vertical 40-10m; Inverted-L's for 160m and 80m; 6 Metre Moxon, height = 6m; Arrow 146/437-10 (for AO-51). Eric will also compete in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (30-31 October) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL when he returns

home. Further info at: www.kv1j.com/fp/october10.html [NG3K]

26/10/2010: The group of Martti OH2BH, Pertti OH2PM, Veijo OH6KN, Antti OH7EA and Juha OH8NC will escape the Nordic ice and snow to provide you with a 5R8 on low bands and a zone 39 multiplier. Their destination will be Antananarivo, the Republic of Madagascar (IOTA AF-013, WLOTA 2455), and the callsign 5R8X will hit the bands from 26 October to 10 November 2010, including the CQWW SSB Contest. OH2PM and OH6KN will dedicate their efforts to 160m and 80m. This activity is primarily targeted to satisfy global demand on the low bands. The team will be using a large field and a setup of vertical antennas on all low bands. WARC activity will also be provided. The 5R8X team will be using lightweight K3 radios by Elecraft and appreciate their support and cooperation. This operation will be conducted in cooperation with Ake, 5R8FU. QSL via OH2BH. [OH2BN]

26/10/2010: Wolf DL4WK, Sigi DL7DF, Rolf DL7VEE and Frank DL7UFR will be active as 9X0SP from Rwanda between 26 October and 2 November 2010. QRV on 160-10 metres using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. They plan to have several stations on the air with one station exclusively dedicated to RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. QSL via DL7DF, by the bureau or direct. Further information is available at their website: www.dl7df.com/9x_9u/index.html [OPDX DX Bulletin]

26/10/2010: Matthias, CT9/DJ8OG will be active from Santana, Madeira Island (IOTA AF-014, DIP MA-001, PIP MD-001, WLOTA 0053, DPRN FF-101, WFF CTFF-030), on 160m-10m between 26 October and 2 November 2010. He will use a K3 transceiver with amplifier on beams and verticals. He plans to join the CQWW DX SSB Contest signing CR3L as Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSLs for CR3L via DJ6QT (direct or bureau), CT9/DJ8OG via homecall. [DX Newsletter]

26/10/2010: Operators Martin, ON4PO (J45PO) and Michel, ON4MW (J45MW) will be active between 26 October and 2 November 2010 from the island of Rhodes [aka Rodos] (EU-001, GIOTA DKS-006, MIA MGD-028, WLOTA LH 0045). They will operate from the QTH of SV5FRD, near Lalyssos (WW Loc. KM46CJ), and also participate in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (30-31 October) using the callsign SX5P. QSL direct to their home callsigns. QSL SX5P via the information on QRZ.com. [NG3K]

26/10/2010: Davide, IW0HLG will be active as S79AD from Mahe Island (IOTA AF-024, WLOTA 3286, Grid Loc. LI75) between 26 October and 4 November 2010. QRV holiday style on the on HF bands and 6 metres using SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau. [OPDX Bulletin]

27/10/2010: Eddie, VK4AN will be active as 3D2A from Navua Village on the island of Viti Levu (IOTA OC-016, WLOTA 0055, WW Loc. RH91CS), Fiji, between 27 October and 14 November 2010. This will include a Multi-Single entry in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (30-31 October). Outside the contest he will focus on the WARC band and digital modes. QSL via home call. [NG3K]

27/10/2010: Rudi, DK7PE plans to be active as 5X0CW from Kampala, Uganda, between 27 October and 3 November 2010. The equipment will be a K2 and a jumper beam (40-10m). Rudi will stay in downtown Kampala and expect some local QRM, but he will still try some 80 and 160m. QSL via home call, direct or by the DARC bureau. Website: www.rooody.de/ [NG3K]

27/10/2010: A Rhein Ruhr DX Association group of operators (DF7EF, DG3EX, DJ2YE, DL6EAQ, DL6KAC, DL8DAW, DL8EAQ, DO2RE, HB9DOD and HB9LCW) will will be active Triesenberg, Liechtenstein from 27 October to 4 November 2010.

They will participate in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest as HB0/HB9AON (Multi-Multi) (QSL via DJ2YE), with a target of 7,000 QSOs and 10 million points. [425 DX News]

27/10/2010: Raffaello IT9ATF, Renato IT9NPR, Giuseppe IT9PPG and Giuseppe IT9WDC will be active from the island of Favignana (IOTA EU-054, IIA TP-011, MIA MI-025, WLOTA 1545) as IF9A from 27-31 October 2010. Expect activity on all HF bands and modes. QSL direct or bureau to IT9ATF. [rsgbiota.org]

27/10/2010: Harry, AC8G and Don, WC4D wil be active as J3/homecall from the island of Granada (NA-024, WLOTA L-0718) on all HF bands on 27-31 October 2010, including a Multi-Op entry in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (30-31 October) using the callsign J3A. QSL J3A via WA1S, others via home calls. [NG3K]

27/10/2010: Nob, JA1FMZ will be QRV as T88OM from Arakabesan Island, Koror, Republic of Palau (IOTA OC-009) between 27 October and 1 November 2010, including a Single-Op/All-Band entry in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (30-31 October). Outside the contest he will be operating holiday style on 14-28 MHz. QSL via home call - direct only (SASE/SAE + Postage). [NG3K]

27/10/2010: Mike, W7ASF and Tom, KB7JAL and will be operating as V31MH and V31TS respectively from Placencia, Belize, between 27 October and 4 November 2010. They will be having lots of fun before, after, and during the CQWW DX SSB contest. Outside the contest look for them to be QRV mostly SSB on 80m through 20m with a lot of time on PSK, too. QSL via home calls. [W7ASF]

27/10/2010: George, K2DM will be active as VP2MDG from the island of Montserrat (IOTA NA-103, WLOTA 1475) between 27 October and 2 November 2010, including a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (30-31 October). Outside the contest he will be QRV on 160-6 metres. QSL via K2DM. [NG3K]

27/10/2010: Jack, N2VW and crew will be active from the VP5JM HAMLET on Providenciales Island (IOTA NA-002) between 27 October and 3 November 2010. Expect avtivity on all bands and modes as VP5/homecall. They will also participate in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (30-31 October) as VP5T. The team includes Jack N2VW, Tony W2WAS, Frank WA2VYA and Bruce WA3RHW. QSL VP5T via N2VW, direct preferred, bureau OK. QSL others via their home calls.

27/10/2010: Jeff, N6GQ will be active as YN2AA from the YN2N rental QTH in Grenada (WW Loc. EK71AU), Nicaragua, between 27 October and 1 November 2010. Activity will be on 160-10 metres and will include the CQWW DX SSB Contest (30-31 October). Jeff will be using a K3 radio and 1 KW amp into the following antennas: 3ele Cush Craft A3S, 2 element 40m beam, full size dipoles and beverages for 80/160m. QSL via NN3W, bureau or direct. U.S. stations, please send SASE; DX stations, please send SAE with GS or IRC for a direct reply. Logs will also be uploaded to LoTW. [OPDX DX Bulletin]

28/10/2010: Wade, AA8LL will be active between 28 October and 5 November 2010, holiday style, from the island of Grenada (IOTA NA-024, WLOTA 0718), including a high-power entry in the CQWW SSB contest (30-31 October). Before and after the contest, operation will be on mostly 30, 17, and 12-metre, CW and RTTY. After the contest, Wade plans to visit the island of Carriacou (IOTA NA-147) for a possible small activation or a scouting visit for a future operation. QSL via AA8LL, direct, bureau, or LoTW. [NG3K]

28/10/2010: Rich, N0HJZ will operate as KL7/N0HJZ from Anchorage, Alaska, on 28-31 October, including a Multi-Single entry in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest with AL1G (QSL via AC7DX). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [425 DX

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28/10/2010: Jef, ON4ACA and Marcel, ON6UQ will be active from SI9AM (King Chulalongkorn Memorial Amateur Radio Society, www.si9am.se/) in Ragunda, Sweden, from 28 October to 2 November 201, including an entry in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. QSL via SM3CVM, direct or via bureau. [425 DX News]

29/10/2010: Fabian CE3/LU1AEE, Diego CE3/LU8ADX and Ramon CE3/XE1KK will be active between 29th October and 3rd November 2010 from Providencia-Santiago, Chile. They will team up with Pedro, CE3FZ and Roberto, CE4CT and will be QRV as CE4CT during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 30-31st) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL CE4CT via EA5KB, direct or bureau. QSL others via their home calls (QRZ.com). [OPDX Bulletin]

29/10/2010: Dave G1OCN (also M3IOP) and Carol 2E1DQZ will be active from the island of Alderney (IOTA EU-114, WLOTA 0198) between 29 October and 5 November 2010, using the callsigns GU1OCN, MU3IOP and 2U1DQZ. Dave hopes this information will be useful for those chasing the Island of Alderney and other callsign prefixes. QSL via G1OCN and 2E1DQZ, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

29/10/2010: Sho JA7HMZ (V63DX), Kei JA7GYP (V63T) and Masa JA7EPO (V63EPO) will be active between 29 October and 4 November 2010 from Pohnpei Island, Pohnpei State, FSM (IOTA OC-010). They will be active as a Multi-Single entry in CQWW DX SSB Contest, using the callsign V6B (QSL via JA7HMZ). Activity outside the contest will be on all bands and modes. QSL via home calls. [NG3K]

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LOOKING AHEAD -

30/10/2010: Operators Stefano IK2QEI, Matt IK2SGC, Mau IV3ZXQ, Flavio IV3TMV, Tine S50A, Robert S57AW, Kristjan S50XX, Ahmed CN8WK and Said CN8WW will be active as CN3A from Safi, Morocco, during the CQWW DX SSB Contest as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via LoTW or I2WIJ. [NG3K]

30/10/2010: Walter, DJ6QT plans to be active as CQ3L from Madeira Island (IOTA AF-014, DIP MA-001, PIP MD-001, WLOTA 0053, DPRN FF-101 [Parque Natural da Madeira], WFF CTFF-030) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry in the CQWW DX SSB Contest. QSL via DJ6QT, bureau or direct. [NG3K]

30/10/2010: Team Madeira will be QRV as CQ9T during the CQWW DX SSB Contest from Funchal, Madeira Island (IOTA AF-014, DIP MA-001, PIP MD-001, WLOTA 0053, DPRN FF-101, WFF CTFF-030), as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via LoTW. [NG3K]

30/10/2010: Jeff, N5TJ will activate CR3L from Ribeira Grande, Sao Miguel Island (DIP AZ-002, PIP AC-002 WLOTA 2016), Azore Islands (EU-003), in the CQWW DX SSB Contest as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via OH2BH, direct or bureau. [OH2BN]

30/10/2010: Darren, G0TSM will be vacationing on Madeira Island (IOTA AF-014, DIP MA-001, PIP MD-001, WLOTA 0053, DPRN FF-101, WFF CTFF-030) and will operate holiday style as CT9/G0TSM, with a small station, during the CQWW DX SSB Contest. He will be QRV on all bands, using S&P ... answering CQ's. QSL via home call. [NG3K]

30/10/2010: Look for Mauro, IK1ZNM to be QRV as IH9/homecall from the island of Pantelleria (IOTA AF-018, IIA TP-001, MIA MI-124, WLOTA 0041), African Italy, during the CQWW DX SSB Contest as a Single-Op/Single-Band entry. QSL via home call. [NG3K]

30/10/2010: John, KG4EM will participate in the CQWW DX SSB Contest from Guantanamo Bay (IOTA NA-015, WLOTA 0358) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via the info on QRZ.com under KG4EM. [NG3K]

30/10/2010: Coconut Wireless Contest Club members Tets AH7C, Kan KH6BK and Rich K2WR will be active as KH7CW from Aiea, island of Oahu (USi HI008S, WLOTA 1227, WW Loc. BL11bj), Honolulu county, Hawaii (IOTA OC-019) in the CQWW DX SSB Contest as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via K2WR and LoTW. [NG3K]

30/10/2010: Look for Felipe, NP4Z to be active from Peurto Rico (IOTA NA-099, USi PR006S, WLOTA 2802) as KP3Z during the CQWW DX SSB Contest as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL direct to N4AO. [NG3K]

30/10/2010: Toni, OH2UA will be active as OH0B from Brando Island, Aland Islands (IOTA EU-002), in the CQWW DX SSB Contest as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via OH2BH, direct or bureau. [OH2BN]

30/10/2010: Marko, OH4JFN will be active as OH8X, a Single-Op/All-Band entry, from the Arcala, Finland, super-station during the CQWW DX SSB Contest. QSL via OH2UA. [OH2BN]

30/10/2010: Members of the UA2 Contest Club will be QRV from Kaliningrad as RW2F, a Multi-? entry in the CQWW DX SSB Contest. QSL via DK4VW, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

30/10/2010: Robert, ST2AR will be active from Khartoum, Sudan, during the CQWW DX SSB Contest as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power/Unassisted entry. QSL direct to S53R. [NG3K]

30/10/2010: Operators Brian N3OC (V26OC), Bob W2BZR (V26BZR), Bob NQ3X and Salvatore IK8UND will activate V26B from Gunthorpes, Saint George Parish, Antigua (IOTA NA-100, WLOTA 1118), in the CQWW DX SSB Contest as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via KA2AEV. [NG3K]

30/10/2010: ORARI Daerah Jawa Tengah Contesting Team members YB1TJ, YB2DX, YB2ECG, YB2VTO, YB2TJV, YB2LSR, YC2BBY, YB3MM, YB3KM, YB3PXF and YB9WZJ will be active as YE2R during the CQWW DX SSB Contest as a Multi-2 entry from Semarang, Java Island (IOTA OC-021, WLOTA 1660), Indonesia. QSL via EB7DX. Note: The YE2R team will also be participating in the CQWW DX CW Contest (27-28 November). [YB2TJV]

30/10/2010: Miki, YT1CS will be active from Albania as ZA/YT1CS in the CQWW DX SSB Contest as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via home call (QRZ.com). [NG3K]

30/10/2010: The East Coast Contesters will be active as ZM4T during the CQWW DX SSB Contest as a Multi-2 entry from Hawke's Bay, North Island (IOTA OC-036, WLOTA 0069, WW Loc. RF80LQ), New Zealand. Operators include Lee ZL2AL, Stan ZL2ST, Gary ZL2IFB, Mike ZL2CC, Peter ZL2LF, Wayne ZL2WG, Holger ZL3IO, John ZL2QM and Michael ZL2MY. QSL direct to ZL2AL, and via LoTW. [NG3K]

04/11/2010: Karl-Heinz DK2WV and Heino, DJ9AF plan to be active from the Banana Islands (IOTA AF-037) as 9L0W on 4-18 November 2010. QRV 160 to 6m, in CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via DK2WV, direct or by the bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

27/11/2010: Mauri, OH2BYS will be active as EA8CMX from G?ldar, Las Palmas province, Isla de Gran Canaria (AF-004, DIE S-005, WLOTA 0969, EAA GC) during the CQWW DX CW Contest as a Single-Op/Single-Band (80m) entry. QSL direct to home call. [NG3K]

27/11/2010: Rich, K2WR will once again be active as GJ2A from La Moye Signal Station, St. Brelade, isle of Jersey (IOTA EU-013, WLOTA 0818), as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry in the CQWW DX CW Contest (27-28 November). QSL via K2WR (for USA) or GJ3DVC (for non-USA), direct and LoTW. [NG3K]

27/11/2010: Members of the UA2 Contest Club will be QRV from Kaliningrad as RW2F, a Multi-? entry in the CQWW DX CW Contest (27-28th November). QSL via DK4VW, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

22/02/2011: Jim, G3RTE and Phil, G3SWH will be QRV on all bands 80 to 10 metres as VK9C/G6AY from the Cocos Island Motel on West Island in the Cocos-Keeling Islands (IOTA OC-003) between 22nd February and 5th March 2011. QRV on all bands 80-10 meters, CW only. There will be no 160, 6 metres or EME activity. Propagation permitting, they plan to have two stations on the air for as many hours every day as is possible. Their main objective is to work as many European, North American and ROTW stations on as many different bands as possible and plan to make at least 15,000 QSOs. QSL via G3SWH, either direct with SAE and adequate return postage (recommended), via Phil's web site for a bureau reply or via the bureau. Website: www.g3swh.org.uk/vk9c-g6ay.html [G3SWH]

11/03/2011: Peter, G3PHO will be active holiday style as VP2V/G3PHO from the island of Tortola (IOTA NA-023) on 11-18 March 2011. This is a lightweight expedition... 100W and simple wire antennas, for his holiday and the Commonwealth Contest weekend. Operating hours outside the Contest will be limited. Peter will be mainly be on CW 80-10m + 160m if I can find space for an antenna! QSL direct or via bureau to G3PHO QTHR and QRZ.com. [rsgbiota.org]

28/05/2011: Thomas, DL4VM will be active as OZ/DL4VM from Fyn Island (IOTA EU-172, DIA FY-001, WLOTA 2690) between 28 May and 18 June 2011. QRV on 30, 15 and 6 metres, using CW and PSK. QSL via home call, bureau or direct. [rsgbiota.org]

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SPECIAL EVENTS -

22/10/2010: The Association des Radioamateurs de la Cote d'Emeraude will be active as TM0RDR from 22 October to 2 November 2010 for the ninth Route du Rhum, the 3000-mile single-handed transatlantic yacht race between St-Malo (France) and Pointe-a-Pitre (Guadeloupe). Plans are to operate SSB, CW and digital modes on all bands with three stations. QSL via F4FJH. [425 DX News]

23/10/2010: Radio amateurs from the Cray Valley, Darenth Valley and Clifton amateur radio clubs in South East London will be operating a special event station GB2RA located at the Firepower (Royal Artillery) Museum (M0VOG), Woolwich, London, England (IOTA EU-004, WLOTA 1841) during the school half term holidays. Dates are from Saturday 23 October through to Sunday 31st. QSL via M0LXT, bureau or direct. [GB2RS]

23/10/2010: Team Thunderbox will be setting up a 'Octoberfest' portable station again between 23rd October 2010 and 31st October 2010, using the callsign MX0TBG/p. They would love to speak with as many of you as possible, if the conditions allow. QRV on all bands but main operation will concentrate on 80 metres, 40 metres, and 20 metres. Antennas for 80m is a 204' doublet @ 20 metres. For 40m work we will have a 2 Element Monoband Cubical Quad @ 20 metres. 20m will involve a 3 Element Monoband Cubical Quad @ 20 metres. QSL via M0KGV. Website: www.teamthunderboxactivities.blogspot.com/ [Team Thunderbox]

23/10/2010: The Llanelli Amateur Radio Society (GW4VZG) will be running a 24 hour special event station with the callsign GB1HTW from midday on Saturday 23 October until midday on Sunday 24 October 2010 from Llanelli, Wales (IOTA EU-005, WLOTA 0453, WAB SN50). GB1HTW will be active on most of the bands from 80 to 2m, either on SSB, BPSK31 or CW. The event is being run to support the Golden Grove Mansion Appeal. Full details of this special event can be found on www.QRZ.com. QSL via M0LXT, bureau or direct. [GB2RS]

25/10/2010: Celebrating his Golden Jubilee in Amateur Radio, Alan 5B4AHJ will operate SSB and CW as 5B50J from 25 October 2010 to 25 October 2011, the day that will mark the 50th anniversary of his first lisence. His QTH is Psathi, Cyprus (AS-004, MIA MCI-002, WLOTA L-0051). QSL via 5B4AHJ direct, bureau or LoTW. [425 DX News]

25/10/2010: During the last weekend of October 2010, special event station SX2500M will be activated from Thessaloniki, Greece, to commemorate the 2500 Anniversary of MARATHON Battle and Race (490BC). QSL to SV2GWY via direct, bureau and eQSL. Further information on QSLing, online LOG and VIDEOs at: SX2500M.blogspot.com/ [SV2GWY]

29/10/2010: Special station II1IANS will be active during the Science Festival to be held in Genova from 29 October to 9 November 2010. Operations will take place from the museum submarine 'Nazario Sauro', with main activity on 30-31 October and 6-7 November. QSL via eQSL or through http://eurobureauqsl.org/ [425 DX News]

29/10/2010: Members of the Cheonan-Asan Ham Club and possibly other guest operators will be active as D7G20 between 29 October and 28 November 2010 to celebrate the G20 Summit in Seoul. QRV on 80-6 metres using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via: G20 Seoul Summit 2010 Special Callsign, P.O.Box 90, Cheonan, 330-600, South Korea. [OPDX Bulletin]

U.S.A. Special Events can be found at: www.arrl.org/special-event-stations

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LIGHTHOUSE CALENDAR -

23/10-24/10 GB1HTW: Wales (main) WLOTA 0453 QSL M0LXT (d/b)
23/10-24/10 GB2RA: England (main) WLOTA 1841 QSL M0LXT (d/b)
23/10-24/10 KO1U/M: Conanicut Island WLOTA 1422 QSL HC (d/b)
23/10-24/10 KO1U/M: Plum Island WLOTA 1546 QSL HC (d/b)
23/10 UA1CIO/1: Ostrov Kronslot WLOTA 0403 QSL RN1CW (d/b)
24/10-07/11 8Q7EJ: Male Atoll WLOTA 3911 QSL G3VDB (d/b)
24/10-31/10 N7I: Maui Island WLOTA 0636 QSL KL7JR (d)
25/10-15/10/11 5B50J: Cyprus Island WLOTA 0051 QSL 5B4AHJ (d/b)
25/10-02/11 FP/KV1J: Miquelon Island WLOTA 1417 QSL HC (d/b)
26/10-10/11 5R8X: Madagascar Island WLOTA 2455 QSL QRZ.com
26/10-02/11 CT9/DJ8OG: Ilha da Madeira WLOTA 0053 QSL HC (d/b)
26/10-02/11 FP/KV1J: Miquelon Island WLOTA 1417 QSL HC (d/b)
26/10-02/11 J45MW: Nisos Rodos WLOTA 0045 QSL ON4MW (d)
26/10-02/11 J45PO: Nisos Rodos WLOTA 0045 QSL ON4PO (d)
26/10-04/11 S79AD: Mahe Island WLOTA 3286 QSL IW0HLG (d/b)
27/10-14/11 3D2A: Viti Levu Island WLOTA 0055 QSL VK4AN (d/b)
27/10-31/10 IF9A: Isola di Favignana WLOTA 1545 QSL IT9ATF (d/b)
27/10-29/10 J3/AC8G: Grenada Island WLOTA 0718 QSL HC (d/b)
27/10-29/10 J3/WC4D: Grenada Island WLOTA 0718 QSL HC (d/b)
27/10-02/11 VP2MDG: Montserrat Island WLOTA 1475 QSL K2DM (d/b)
27/10-03/11 VP5/N2VW: Caicos Island WLOTA 1476 QSL HC (d/b)
28/10-05/11 J3/AA8LL: Grenada Island WLOTA 0718 QSL HC (d/b)
29/10-05/11 2U1DQZ: Alderney Island WLOTA 0198 QSL 2E1DQZ (d/b)

29/10-05/11 GU1OCN: Alderney Island WLOTA 0198 QSL G1OCN (d/b)
29/10-05/11 MU3IOP: Alderney Island WLOTA 0198 QSL G1OCN (d/b)
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COUNTY HUNTING (USA-CA) -

N7JPF - Paul - Oct. 22 to Oct. 22 - SSB Only
Washington: Yakima, Kittitas, Grant, Adams, Lincoln and Spokane. Starting out about 1400z on Friday morning, headed up to Spokane to see family. Will be on 20m SSB only. QSL via home call. [County Hunter Web]

W?GXQ - Jerry - 4* - 25 Oct 2010 to 26 Oct 2010 - SSB and CW
Monday, 25th October - starting at 1300z SD- Union, Clay, Yankton, Bon Homme, Charles Mix, Douglas, Aurora, Brule, Lyman, Stanley, and Hughes. Tuesday, 26th October - starting at 1200z SD: Hughes, Sully, Potter, Walworth, and Campbell. ND: Emmons, McIntosh, Dickey, Sargent, Ransom, and Richland. MN: Clay and Becker. QSL via home call. [County Hunter Web]

K5VYT - Dick - 5* - 10/27/2010 to 10/27/2010 - SSB Only
Special trip to get a last for WBOW, weather permitting. SSB only, 20 metres, possibly 40m. Trip to start around 1400z. Counties in Colorado: Jefferson, Clear Creek, Summit, Lake, Chaffee, Park and Jefferson. QSL via home call. [County Hunter Web]
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6 METRES & UP -

Dear VHF-DATABASE-friends, a year is over again and we will be able to spread around a new issue of the VHF-DATABASE (3.10 - 10/2010) to private USER (fee, see our Forum) as well to all interested DX-Cluster Sysops (DX-Cluster-Types: CLX, SPIDER, AK1A and / or DXNet) from up the end of october 2010!
All necessary details you be able to find at the Make More Miles FORUM www.mmmonvhf.de/minibb/index.php?action=vtopic&forum=3
As well please visit the Visual VHF DATABASE and check your area - if you find faults please do report to us! The Visual VHF DATABASE can be found here: www.mmmonvhf.de/vdb.php [DL8EBW]

** F/TEP on 50 MHz **
Just a further note to say that the F/TEP continues for South EU - and for me I still RX AF TV - 5Z was in last night late on pure TEP III mode for about an hour - but nil on 50. I hope more will look - we have very few indicators to the south - but at long last we can see the very few TV TX's that are on there - so lets use them and report our observations. hopefully Hams will come on & try the band on not be alarmists or tourist
SOURCE: Ken, G4IGO via UK Six Metre Group Announce [MMMonVHF]

22/10-31/10 AA4VK/CY0: Sable Isl NA-063 Grid:GN03 6m 100W QSL N0TG (OQRS)
22/10-31/10 AI5P/CY0: Sable Isl NA-063 Grid:GN03 6m 100W QSL N0TG (OQRS)
22/10-31/10 N0TG/CY0: Sable Isl NA-063 Grid:GN03 6m 100W QSL N0TG (OQRS)
22/10-31/10 WA4DAN/CY0: Sable Isl NA-063 Grid:GN03 6m 100W QSL N0TG (OQRS)
23/10-24/10 Arauc?ria VHF Contest 6 & 2m
23/10-24/10 W/VE Islands QSO Party 6m
25/10-02/11 FP/KV1J: Miquelon Isl NA-032 Grid:GN17TC 6m+Sat. QSL HC (d/b)
26/10 RSGB 50MHz UKAC
26/10 The 50MHz Open Cumulative
26/10-04/11 S79AD: Mahe AF-024 Grid:LI75 6m CW/SSB 100W QSL IW0HLG (d/b)

GOT6??? - Six Meter Information by Andy 'NEON' Sargent N8OFS at:
http://noars.net/got6/GOT6.txt (Updated 20 October 2010)

Information about current VHF activities can be found on the VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: www.MMMonVHF.de/

SOTA (Summits On The Air) Watch Alerts at: www.sotawatch.org/

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QSL INFORMATION -

New address for CU3AN / CU4AP
CU3AN
JOSE GABRIEL ALVES
Canada Rolo,33
9700-713 Terra-Cha
Terceira
AZORES Islands

Please note that I am no longer the QSL manager for James, 9J2CA or 9I40CA and have no blank cards left.
73
Phil Whitchurch
G3SWH and AD5YS
www.g3swh.org.uk

QSLs via Bureau: 8P?P, AO8HQ, CG3AT, CT8T, DP1POL, EA7TG, EA8URL, F6GCP, FK/JN1NLX, FR/DL5CF, GH6UW, HB?/DK4YJ, HB?/DL5YL, HI3/N3SY, HG?HQ, IQ2X, IS?YWA, J45PO, K9QVB/9, KB7OBU/KH2, KE9ET, KH6/NU1AW, KL7/W1AW, NU1AW/KH6, OK1DOL, OL9HQ, OP4K, P41S, PJ2/DL8OBQ, PQ2Q, PV8AA, S58MU, SE2T, SX8P, TA4/OE6TLF/P, TX5SPA, UX1UA, VE6JY, VP6DX, VP9/W6PH, VP94??HW, W?KT W5RZ, YL/RZ3BY, ZP6CW and ZV75LABRE.

QSLs via Direct: 9X?LX (DK7LX), H4?FN (), K4C (KP4ES), PJ5NA (K1NA), S79SAL [S7FF-004] (EA2RC), S92LX (DK7LX), V31SJ (W5JAY), XT2EME (EA7FTR), XV9DT (OK1DOT) and ZL5CP [Scott Base, Antarctica] (WZ3Q).

QSLs via LoTW: C57C, D44TXS, DL3TD, EA3GHZ, JD1BIE, K5K, LU1ICX, S4?R, V31WA and V51AS/LH.

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LINKS -
IOTA (Islands On The Air) at: www.rsgbiota.org/
SOTA (Summits On The Air) at: www.sota.org.uk/
WCA (World Castles on the Air) at: www.wca.qrz.ru/ENG/main.html
WFF (World Flora & Fauna) at: wff44.com/
WLOTA (World Lighthouses On The Air at: www.wlota.com/

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BITS & PIECES -

This information is provided, in advance, to those who use the DXCC assigned country/entity codes for programming software:

Below are what will be the DXCC assigned country codes for the new entities once they are entered into the DXCC system:

517 - Curacao
518 - Sint Maarten
519 - Saba and St. Eustatius
520 - Bonaire

Note, the country codes for what will be the deleted entities will not change, they will just be flagged as deleted entities.

Online, the only place where these codes are posted is in the text version of the DXCC list. Once we officially add the new entities to the DXCC software this list will then be updated to show the official changes to the DXCC list.

Bill Moore NC1L
Awards Branch Manager
ARRL - The national association for Amateur Radio

HB9EHT Re-elected ITU Chief

Dr. Hamadoun Tour?, HB9EHT, has been elected to a second four-year term as Secretary-General of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU). The ITU is a world body that provides a global structure for telecommunications, including frequency allocations to various radio services. According to the ARRL Letter, Dr. Tour?'s emphasis during his first term has been on internet security, wider access to broadband and strengthening the ITU's work in international emergency communications. After his re-election, Tour? told the delegates at the ITU Plenipotentiary Conference in Guadalajara, Mexico, that he will continue to work toward realizing his dream that every person on Earth can "connect to, use, create and share information in a safe and affordable manner." [CQ Newsroom]

First 137 kHz JA-VE QSO Reported

Two amateurs -- Kunikazu Togashi, JA7NI, and Scott Tilley, VE7TIL, report completing a transpacific contact on 2200 meters (137 kHz) on September 28. According to the ARRL Letter, the two claim that this is the first Japan-Canada QSO on the low-frequency band. Covering more than 7100 kilometers, it is the second-longest distance reported to date for a 2200-meter QSO. [CQ Newsroom]

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73 and Good DX!
Dave Raycroft, VA3RJ
Home of ICPO: http://webhome.idirect.com/~va3rj/
DX Calendar - Contest Calendar - Lighthouse Activity & much more
Join ICPO e-Group: http://mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/icpo

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North American Checkpoint For:
World Lighthouses On The Air - WLOTA
http://www.wlota.com/

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Canadian Checkpoint For:
All Croatian Islands Award - ACIA
All Croatian Islands Award Group - ACIAG
The World Lighthouse Diplom - TWLHD/TWLHF
http://www.9a7k.com/

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